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Vienna, April 6. N. S.

THE King of Denmark's Envoy, since his Return from Venice, has signified to the Imperial Ministers, that his Danish Majesty can by no Means comply with the Proposal made by this Court for reforming his Troops in the Emperor's Service. General Gerstorff, who commands this Body of Danes, has received Orders from the King his Master to hold them in a Readiness for marching; and the Danish Commissary has given in the Account of Arrears due to them. Several Hungarian Parties have been seen on the Frontiers of Lower Austria for some Days past. One of them crossed over to this side of the Leyra, pillaged the Village of Broderstorff, and carried off with them some of the Inhabitants, and several Head of Cattle. Others of their Parties have been chased and defeated by the Imperial Troops. It is advised from the Frontiers of Turkey, that three Hungarian Noblemen, deputed from the Malecontents, were arrived at Belgrade, in their way to Constantinople.

Berne, April 10. N. S. They write from Geneva, that four Battalions of French Foot are ordered to march out of Spain into Dauphiné. Two of those Battalions are of Charolois, one of Medoc, and the other of Bresse. Eight Regiments from Franche Comté are to move towards the same Station with all Expedition. We have repeated Advices that Marshal Villars is to detach 40 Battalions from Flanders, 18 of which are to serve on the Rhine, and 22 in Provence, Dauphiné and Savoy. Letters from France say, they are in great Apprehensions of a General Famine throughout that Kingdom, and that the People of Grenoble had pillaged three Magazines of Corn, which had been furnished for the Subsistence of the Army in Dauphiné. Though the French Accounts of the springing of the Mine at Alicant speak of very terrible Effects, they do not say it has obliged the Garrison of the Castle to surrender.

Berlin, April 13. N. S. On Thursday last General Fleming arrived here, in order to conduct his Sister, Madam Prebendow, to Dresden. He has had several Conferences with the Ministers, in which it is said he has proposed a defensive and offensive Alliance between his Majesty and King Augustus. Monsieur Tobcanski, Nephew to the late Cardinal-Primate of Poland, is come hither with a Pass from the Allies to return to Poland. It is said, he has Letters from France to King Stanislaus, the Grand General, as well as particular Instructions to join the King of Sweden's Army. Baron Foltner is also here from the Duke of Lorraine, and has been at the Courts of the Elector-Palatine, and his Electoral Highness of Hanover. He has had no formal Audience of the King, but has been presented to his Majesty, and appears at Court as a private Gentleman. Last Monday their Majesties went together to a Country House of the King's called Belvedere. At their Departure from thence the King made a Present of that Seat to her Majesty. On Monday next the King designs to go to Lansberg, and will divert himself at Linum with the usual Sport of Shooting 'till the latter end of the Week. The Queen intends to take that Opportunity to make a Visit to her Mother at Mecklenburg.

Brussels, April 18. N. S. The Letters of the 17th, just now arrived from Ghent, advise, that the Enemies have failed in a design they had formed for surprizing two Battalions quartered in Aloft, which having timely notice of the Approach of the Enemy, retired to Dendermond. Lieutenant-General Wood kept under Arms a Body of 5000 Foot and 1000 Horse, in order to march upon the first Advice of the Motion of the French, and endeavour to intercept their Retreat. Major-General Cadogan arrived here last Night from the Hague.

Hague, April 19. N. S. This Day there was made a Promotion of General Officers. The Majors-General, who are nine in number, were all made Lieutenants-General; the Brigadiers, Majors-General; and several Colonels, Brigadiers. Prince Eugene arrived here last Night from Amsterdam. They say he designs to set out for Brussels on Monday or Tuesday next, and most of the General Officers are ordered to attend him thither. Yesterday Morning there happened an Engagement off of Scheveling, between a Privateer of Zealand, and one of equal Force belonging to Dunkirk. After a Dispute of two Hours, the Zelandier made himself Master of the French Vessel, and brought it into the Texel. Several Vessels laden with Corn for France have been obliged to discharge their Cargo, in Obedience to a Placaert, which forbids the Exportation of all manner of Grain into the Enemy's Country, notwithstanding the Merchants represented that they were loaded before the Publication of that Placaert. All our Letters from France confirm the general Misery of the People, by reason of the Scarcity of Corn, which in most of the Provinces is raised to so excessive a Price, that it occasions an universal Dissatisfaction. Rumours of Peace are industriously spread, to prevent the ill Effects of such Discontents. It is said the Duke of Vendosme is to command in Flanders. Eight Sail of Vessels of War are preparing at Dunkirk. Yesterday in the Afternoon the Deputies of the States-General came to a Conference with his Grace the Duke of Marlborough. We have an Account from Brussels, that the Courier which Monsieur Rouillé sent to the French Court, with a Report of the manner in which the Offers towards a Treaty of Peace had been received, passed through that Place in his Return on the 16th, in the Evening. Upon which it is expected Monsieur Rouillé will desire another Meeting; but this does not in the least slacken our Preparations for taking the Field the beginning of the next Month.

Dartmouth, April 8. On the 6th Instant came in here two French Prizes, taken by a Dutch Privateer, one laden with Sugar and Indigo from the West-Indies, and the other from France with Salt, bound for Placentia.

Plimouth, April 10. Yesterday sailed her Majesty's Ships the Captain, Revenge, Bedford, Worcester, Southsea-Castle and Garland, and under their Convoy about 50 Merchant-Ships for Portugal, Virginia, East and West Indies, &c. Then sailed my Lord Dursly with 11 Men of War, in order to cruise.

Bristol, April 11. This Day came in the Britania of Barnstable, John Mallack Master, in 30 Days from Virginia. Her Majesty's Ship the Speedwell-Prize sailed out of Kingroad yesterday. The Bridgewater and Oxford's-Prize are still in Kingroad.

Yarmouth, April 11. This Morning Sir John Norris, with a Squadron of her Majesty's Ships under his Command, came to Anchor on the back of our Sands. And this Evening the Men of War that are here will sail out of our Road, in order to join him. Her Majesty's Ships the Falkstone and Advice's-Prize continue in our Roads.

Portsmouth, April 12. On the 7th Instant came to Spithead from the Downs her Majesty's Ships the Resolution, Sterling-Castle, Lynn, Seafair, Thorlington, Portsmouth, Hector, and the Griffin Fire ship, with about 20 Sail of Merchantmen and Coasters under their Convoy. The same Day came up from cruising the Chatham, Exeter and Crown. On the 8th the Resolution sailed into the Harbour. And at the same time the Newport sailed out to Spithead. On the 9th, the Dutch Men of War bound for Lisbon sailed from St. Hellens, with about 60 Sail under their Convoy. Yesterday two Marine Soldiers were shot to Death at the Head of the Regiments in this Garrison, for Mutiny.

Whitehall.